

## **DELAWARE RIVER BASIN COMMISSION**

## Notice of Public Hearing and Business Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Delaware River Basin Commission will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday September 11, 2013.** A conference session and business meeting will be held the following day on **Thursday, September 12, 2013**. The hearing, conference session and business meeting are open to the public and will be held at The Enterprise Center at Burlington County College, 3331 Route 38, Mount Laurel, New Jersey.

Public Hearing. The public hearing on September 11, 2013 will begin at 1:30 p.m. Hearing items will include draft dockets for projects subject to the Commission's review. The list of projects scheduled for hearing, including project descriptions, is currently available in a long form of this notice posted on the Commission's web site, www.drbc.net. Draft dockets scheduled for hearing are posted on the website approximately ten days prior to the hearing date. Written comments on draft dockets and resolutions scheduled for hearing on September 11 will be accepted through the close of the hearing that day. After the hearing on all scheduled matters has been completed, there will be an opportunity for public dialogue. Because hearings on particular projects may be postponed to allow additional time for the commission's review, interested parties are advised to check the web site periodically prior to the hearing date. Any postponements will be duly noted there.

<u>Public Meeting</u>. The public meeting on **September 12, 2013** will begin at **12:15 p.m.** and will consist of a conference session followed by a business meeting. The conference session will include a progress report by staff on implementation of the Water Resources Plan for the Delaware River Basin (DRBC

2004) and a presentation by a representative of the William Penn Foundation (WPF) on WPF's Delaware River Basin initiative. The business meeting will include the following items: adoption of the Minutes of the Commission's July 10, 2013 business meeting, announcements of upcoming meetings and events, a report on hydrologic conditions, reports by the Executive Director and the Commission's General Counsel, and consideration of any items for which a hearing has been completed. In addition to those items for which the public hearing is completed on September 11, 2013, items subject to Commission consideration during the Business Meeting on September 12 include Docket D-2006-037-3 for Hudson Valley Foie Gras, LLC ("HVFG"), for which the public hearing was completed on July 9, 2013. A revised version of the HVFG draft docket, which takes into consideration comments received during the public hearing on July 9, is available on the Commission's website. The Commissioners also may consider action on matters for which no public hearing is required.

There will be no opportunity for additional public comments at the September 12 business meeting on hearing items for which the hearing was completed on September 11 or a previous date. Commission consideration on September 12 of items for which the public hearing is closed may result in either approval of the docket or resolution as proposed, approval with changes, denial, or deferral. When the commissioners defer an action, they may announce an additional period for written comment on the item, with or without an additional hearing date, or they may take additional time to consider the input they have already received without requesting further public input. Any deferred items will be considered for action at a public meeting of the commission on a future date.

Advance Sign-Up for Oral Comment. Individuals who wish to comment for the record at the public hearing on September 11 or to address the Commissioners informally during the public dialogue portion of the hearing on September 11 are asked to sign up in advance by contacting Ms. Paula Schmitt of the Commission staff, at paula.schmitt@drbc.state.nj.us or by phoning Ms. Schmitt at 609-883-9500 ext. 224.

Addresses for Written Comment. Written comment on items scheduled for hearing may be delivered by

hand at the public hearing or submitted in advance of the hearing date to: Commission Secretary, P.O.

Box 7360, 25 State Police Drive, West Trenton, NJ 08628; by fax to Commission Secretary, DRBC at

609-883-9522 or by email to paula.schmitt@drbc.state.nj.us. If submitted by email in advance of the

hearing date, written comments on a docket should also be sent to william.muszynski@drbc.state.nj.us.

Accommodations for Special Needs. Individuals in need of an accommodation as provided for in the

Americans with Disabilities Act who wish to attend the informational meeting, conference session or

hearings should contact the Commission Secretary directly at 609-883-9500 ext. 203 or through the

Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) at 711, to discuss how we can accommodate your needs.

Updates. Items scheduled for hearing are occasionally postponed to allow more time for the Commission

to consider them. Other meeting items also are subject to change. Please check the Commission's

website, www.drbc.net, closer to the meeting date for changes that may be made after the deadline for

filing this notice.

Additional Information, Contacts. The list of projects scheduled for hearing, with descriptions, is

currently available in a long form of this notice posted on the Commission's web site, www.drbc.net.

Draft dockets and resolutions for hearing items will be posted as hyperlinks from the notice at the same

location approximately ten days prior to the hearing date. Additional public records relating to hearing

items may be examined at the Commission's offices by appointment by contacting Carol Adamovic, 609-

883-9500, ext. 249. For other questions concerning hearing items, please contact Project Review Section

assistant Victoria Lawson at 609-883-9500, ext. 216.

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